



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions 2016 Maryland General Assembly Session

**February 1, 2016
Schedule 13**

PLEASE NOTE: February 12 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 11.
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 1, 2016

HB 465 Delegate Cluster, et al

**PUBLIC SAFETY – RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
IDENTIFICATION CARD – FAILURE TO ISSUE**

Establishing that, to be qualified for a specified retired officer identification card, a retired law enforcement officer be entitled to receive a pension or other retirement allowance; authorizing a retired law enforcement officer to file a civil action against a specified law enforcement agency for failure to issue a retired law enforcement officer identification card; authorizing the retired law enforcement officer to seek specified statutory damages in addition to specified relief; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, § 3-513 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

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HB 466 Delegate Cluster, et al**HANDGUN PERMITS – QUALIFICATIONS – FORMER AND RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

Establishing a presumption that an applicant for a permit to wear, carry, or transport a handgun has a good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun if the applicant is a former or retired law enforcement officer under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, § 5-306(e) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 467 Delegate Reznik, et al**LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTING – STANDARDS AND PROCESSES**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish the Legislative Districting Commission to prepare a specified legislative districting plan and to establish the Congressional Districting Commission to prepare a specified congressional districting plan following each decennial census and after public hearings; prohibiting the plans from being amended; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 5 - amended and § 5A - added and Art. XX, §§ 1 through 5 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 468 Delegate Lam, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOID–ASSOCIATED DISEASE PREVENTION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

Repealing the Prince George’s County AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program; authorizing the establishment of Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs by specified entities; requiring a Program to provide for the exchange by participants of used hypodermic needles and syringes; requiring a Program to operate in accordance with procedures approved by specified local health officers, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the recommendations of the Standing Advisory Committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HG, §§ 24-901 through 24-909 - repealed and §§ 24-901 through 24-908 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 469 Delegate Barve, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – OLDE TOWNE PARK PLAZA**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gaithersburg for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a new park promenade at Olde Towne Park Plaza, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 470 Delegates Krebs and Kipke**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF NITROUS OXIDE**

Authorizing, subject to specified requirements, dental hygienists to administer nitrous oxide to patients; altering the definition of “practice dental hygiene”; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HO, §§ 4-101(k)(9), 4-205(a)(1)(ix), and 4-206.2 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 471 Delegate Lierman, et al**INCOME TAX – ANGEL INVESTOR TAX CREDIT PROGRAM**

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for 50% of an investment, not to exceed \$50,000 or \$100,000 for a qualified investor that is a married couple filing jointly or a pass-through entity, made in a qualified innovation business; requiring a qualified investor to meet specified requirements in order to be eligible for the credit; requiring the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce to administer the credit; applying the Act to specified taxable years after December 31, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

EC, § 2.5-109(a)(4) - amended and TG, § 10-737 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 472 Delegate Miele, et al**ESTATES AND TRUSTS – REGISTERS OF WILLS – RETENTION OF ESTATE FILES**

Repealing a requirement that a register of wills in a county return specified estate files to the personal representative of the estate under specified circumstances; authorizing a register to dispose of specified estate files no sooner than 180 days after the closing of an estate if copies of the files are retained in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ET, § 2-209 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 473 Delegate Beidle**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SAMARITAN HOUSE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Samaritan Houses, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Samaritan House, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 474 Delegate Walker**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS – DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
(STUDENT HEALTH AND FITNESS ACT)**

Requiring a public school student in elementary school to be provided a daily program of physical activity totaling 150 minutes each week to include physical education, and developmentally appropriate, moderate-to-vigorous activity, including recess; requiring that the program of physical activity for a specified category of student be consistent with a specified plan for the student; requiring public elementary schools to designate a specified group to plan and coordinate specified activities; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ED, § 7-409(a) - amended and § 7-409(b) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 475 Delegate Sydnor, et al**COURTS – GRAND JURIES – PROHIBITED ACTION**

Prohibiting a grand jury from inquiring into an offense that involves a shooting or the alleged use of excessive force by a law enforcement officer that leads to the death of a person in law enforcement custody.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 8-418 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 476 Delegate Walker**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – FINANCIAL LITERACY
CURRICULUM – GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a semester-long course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content developed by the State Board in specified high schools; and requiring students to complete a specified course in order to graduate from high school.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ED, § 7-205.4 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 477 Delegate Walker**INCOME TAX CREDIT – QUALIFIED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES – CREDIT AMOUNTS**

Increasing the maximum total amount of research and development tax credits that the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce may approve; and applying the Act to all Maryland research and development tax credits certified after December 15, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 10-721(c) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 478 Delegate McCray, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – ULMAN CANCER FUND HOME FOR YOUNG ADULT CANCER PATIENTS AND CAREGIVERS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Ulman Cancer Fund Home for Young Adult Cancer Patients and Caregivers, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 479 Delegate Haynes, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – LAW ENFORCEMENT TRANSPORT VEHICLES – SEAT BELTS**

Requiring that a vehicle used by a law enforcement agency to transport persons be equipped with seat belts for each position on the vehicle that may lawfully be occupied by a passenger.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 22-412.5 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 480 Delegate Saab, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ARUNDEL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Arundel Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Arundel Volunteer Fire Department Community Center, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 481 Delegate Vallario, et al**JUDGES – MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE**

Proposing amendments to the Maryland Constitution increasing to 73 from 70 the mandatory retirement age for judges under specified circumstances; proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution to provide for the application of specified amendments to the Maryland Constitution; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, §§ 3, 3A, 5A(c) through (g), and 41D - amended and § 18B - repealed and added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 482 Delegate Haynes, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – LAW ENFORCEMENT TRANSPORT VEHICLES – RECORDING EQUIPMENT**

Requiring that specified vehicles used by a law enforcement agency to transport arrestees or other passengers be equipped with audio and video recording devices in passenger areas of the vehicles; requiring that the audio and video recording devices be tested before the use of specified vehicles; and prohibiting the use of specified vehicles for transport if the audio and video recording devices are not properly functioning.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 22-414.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 483 Delegate Long, et al**PROPERTY TAX – HOMEOWNER’S TAX CREDIT – COMPUTATION AND ELIGIBILITY**

Altering the computation of a specified homeowner’s property tax credit; increasing, from \$60,000 to \$75,000, the limitation on a homeowner’s combined gross income amount for eligibility for the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TP, § 9-104(h) and (k)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 484 Delegate Walker**INCOME TAX – CORPORATION RETURNS – FILING DATE**

Extending by 1 month the date by which specified corporations must complete and file with the Comptroller an income tax return; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2016.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 10-821(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 485 Delegate Miele, et al**ESTATES AND TRUSTS – REGISTER OF WILLS – ADMISSION OF COPY OF EXECUTED WILL**

Authorizing an interested person to file with the register of wills in a county, rather than the orphans’ court, a petition for admission of a copy of an executed will in a probate proceeding; authorizing a register to accept a copy of an executed will for administrative probate without an order from the court; authorizing a register to require the filing of judicial probate; repealing specified provisions, rendered obsolete by the Act, that authorized the court to order administrative or judicial probate of a copy of a will; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ET, §§ 5-802 and 5-804 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 486 Delegate Reilly, et al**MOTOR VEHICLES – GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT – AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Establishing a 15% tolerance from the gross vehicle weight limits for specified vehicles used in specified agricultural activities during harvest time under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TR, § 24-109 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 487 Delegates Reilly and Cassilly**MARYLAND INCOME TAX REFUNDS – HARFORD COUNTY – WARRANT INTERCEPT PROGRAM**

Altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of specified individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Harford County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Harford County; making nonsubstantive changes to specified termination provisions; making conforming changes; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

TG, § 13-936, Chapter 451 of the Acts of 2012, § 3, as amended, and Chapter 213 of the Acts of 2013, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 488 Delegate Morgan, et al**PROPERTY TAX – PROPERTY TRANSFERRED TO NEW OWNER – APPEALS**

Requiring a supervisor of assessments or the supervisor's designee to hold a hearing within a specified period of time on an appeal of a change in the value or classification of property that is transferred to a new owner; and providing for the value and classification of the property if the supervisor or the supervisor's designee does not hold a hearing on the appeal within a specified period of time.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TP, § 14-502 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 489 Delegate Hammen**TERMINATION OF MARYLAND HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN,
TRANSFER OF SENIOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM, AND FUNDING FOR STATE REINSURANCE PROGRAM**

Repealing provisions of law establishing the Maryland Health Insurance Plan; repealing provisions of law establishing the Board of Directors for the Plan; repealing provisions of law establishing the Maryland Health Insurance Plan Fund; transferring the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program from the Board of Directors for the Plan to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

IN, HG, and SF, Various Sections - repealed and amended and Various Chapters of the Acts - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 490 Delegate Cullison**MARYLAND NURSE PRACTICE ACT – PEER REVIEW AND
ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND PENALTIES**

Repealing the requirement that the State Board of Nursing appoint specified peer review committees; authorizing the Board to appoint peer advisory committees to provide the Board with expert advice related to the practice of nursing by advance practice nurses; altering the maximum amount of a specified civil fine the Board may impose; altering the application of specified criminal penalties; altering the maximum amount of a specified fine and the maximum term of imprisonment to which a specified person is subject; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HO, § 8-503 - repealed and added and §§ 8-707 and 8-710 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 491 Delegate Anderson, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXECUTION OF A SEARCH WARRANT – REIMBURSEMENT**

Requiring the law enforcement agency of the affiant to a search warrant to pay reasonable expenses, when property was damaged as a result of a search that did not recover relevant evidence or the search was executed on the wrong property, to the property owner to restore the property to the pre-search condition; and requiring the Maryland Police Training Commission to establish a procedure to implement the requirements of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CP, § 1-203(f) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 492 Delegate Saab, et al**PUBLIC BODIES – USE AND RETENTION OF E-MAIL – REQUIREMENTS**

Prohibiting an employee of a public body from creating or maintaining government e-mail by using a personal e-mail account; requiring an employee of a public body, under specified circumstances, to forward government e-mail to the official e-mail account of the employee within 5 days after the government e-mail is received; requiring each public body to retain government e-mail for a minimum of 7 years or, under specified circumstances, permanently; requiring the State Archivist to adopt specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, §§ 4.5-101 through 4.5-103 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 493 Delegate Morales, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – EXTORTION – IMMIGRATION STATUS**

Prohibiting a person from committing a specified act of extortion by wrongful use of actual or threatened notification of law enforcement officials about another person's undocumented or illegal immigration status.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CR, § 3-701 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 494 Delegate Miele, et al

AGRICULTURE – ANIMAL SHELTERS – UNIFORM STANDARDS OF OPERATION AND CARE (ANIMAL SHELTERS STANDARDS ACT OF 2016)

Requiring an animal shelter to develop and make reasonable efforts to adhere to a written veterinary care protocol consistent with the guidelines in the Association of Shelter Veterinarians' Guidelines for Standards of Care in Animal Shelters; requiring an animal shelter to meet specified veterinary care requirements; requiring an animal shelter to maintain specified holding periods; requiring an animal shelter to take specified steps to determine the identity of an animal in its custody; specifying euthanasia requirements; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

AG, §§ 2-1701 through 2-1712 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 495 Delegate Stein, et al

CIVIL ACTION – OFFENSE AGAINST VULNERABLE OR ELDERLY ADULT

Authorizing a victim of a specified offense to bring a civil action for treble damages against a specified person; establishing that a specified criminal conviction is not a prerequisite for maintenance of an action under the Act; providing for the recovery of reasonable attorney's fees and court costs in an action brought under the Act; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 3-2101 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 496 Delegate Krebs

ETHICS COMMISSION, COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISABILITIES, JUDICIAL ETHICS COMMITTEE, AND JOINT ETHICS COMMITTEE – DUTIES

Providing that the Judicial Ethics Committee as an alternative to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities or another body designated by a specified court, shall administer and implement specified provisions of law that apply to State officials of the Judicial Branch; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, §§ 5-104 and 5-819 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 497 Delegate Hammen (Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee)

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS – REGULATION

Repealing the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists and the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists Fund; repealing the requirement that an individual be licensed by the Board to practice as an environmental health specialist; requiring an individual to obtain and maintain a specified credential and submit specified documentation to practice as an environmental health specialist; requiring the employer of an environmental health specialist to verify specified compliance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

HO, §§ 21-102 through 21-502 - repealed, § 21-101 - amended, and §§ 21-102 through 21-104 - added and SG, § 8-403(b)(20) - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 498 Delegate B. Robinson

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – SENIOR REENTRY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Establishing the Senior Reentry Coordinating Council in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; providing that the purpose of the Council is to identify services needed by seniors released from prison, determine how best the required services can be delivered by governmental and other entities, identify programs to support those released and their families, and develop reentry policies; providing for the appointment of members, the terms, and the chair of the Council; providing for the staff of the Council; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CS, §§ 2-301 through 2-304 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 499 Delegate Sydnor, et al

PROCUREMENT – ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SUBCONTRACTORS

Providing that a representative of a unit may request that the procurement officer for the unit direct the unit to make a specified payment to a subcontractor and to withhold or recover a payment from a contractor under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

SF, §§ 15-103 and 15-226 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 500 Delegate Sydnor, et al**TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE CAPITAL NEEDS OF DISADVANTAGED, MINORITY, AND SMALL BUSINESSES IN MARYLAND**

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Capital Needs of Disadvantaged, Minority, and Small Businesses in Maryland; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation; authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to review, examine, and assess issues related to disadvantaged, minority, and small businesses, including potential airport concessionaires, in Maryland; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 501 Delegate Chang**MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – VOLUNTEER DRIVERS**

Prohibiting insurers that issue, sell, or deliver policies of motor vehicle liability insurance in the State from canceling or refusing to issue a policy to an applicant solely because the applicant is a volunteer driver; prohibiting specified insurers from imposing a surcharge or rate increase solely because a driver under the policy is a volunteer driver; providing that this Act does not prohibit an insurer from canceling, refusing to renew, or imposing surcharges or rate increases on a policy under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

IN, § 19-518 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 502 Delegate Cluster, et al**CABLE TELEVISION – EQUIPMENT RENTALS**

Limiting specified equipment rental charges that may be included in rates of local cable television system franchises under specified circumstances; limiting the system charge to not more than \$3 a month; providing that this Act does not limit the rates charged for program content; applying the Act to any cable television franchise agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2016; and providing that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by this Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

LG, § 1-708 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 503 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

**WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
COMPACT – BOARD OF DIRECTORS – APPOINTING AUTHORITY
FOR FEDERAL MEMBERS**

Requiring the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, rather than the Administrator of General Services, to appoint the federal members and alternate federal members for the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TR, § 10-204, Title III, Art. III, Sec. 5(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 504 **Delegate Clippinger**

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY
COMPENSATION – REVERSAL OR MODIFICATION OF AWARD**

Applying a specified provision of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award for permanent partial disability compensation to the Workers' Compensation Commission; clarifying that, for purposes of a specified provision of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award for permanent partial disability compensation, the payment of any new compensation awarded is subject to a monetary credit for compensation previously awarded and paid; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

LE, § 9-633 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 505 Charles County Delegation**CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF – SALARIES AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

Requiring the salary schedule for deputy sheriffs of Charles County to correspond to the Department of State Police salary schedule; authorizing sworn law enforcement officers and correctional officers in Charles County to collectively bargain with the County Commissioners of Charles County, in addition to the Sheriff, with respect to specified matters; establishing procedures for the mediation and arbitration of collective bargaining disputes; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 2-309(j)(3) and (5) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 506 Delegate Ghrist, et al**JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION – EXCLUDED OFFENSES – NATURAL RESOURCES VIOLATIONS**

Excluding from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court a child at least 16 years old alleged to have violated any provision of the Natural Resources Article that does not prescribe a penalty of incarceration; and granting the juvenile court exclusive jurisdiction over a child charged with two or more violations of a provision of the Natural Resources Article under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 3-8A-03 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 507 Delegate Kramer, et al**MARYLAND FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT**

Establishing the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; authorizing a user to direct a custodian of digital assets to disclose or not to disclose those assets under specified circumstances and in a specified manner; providing that the Act does not change, impair, or expand specified rights with respect to the digital assets of a user; authorizing a custodian to grant a specified fiduciary or designated recipient access to or a copy of specified records under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ET, §§ 15-601 through 15-620 - added and §§ 13-213, 14.5-815(a), 17-202, and 17-203 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 508 Delegate Lafferty**RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – FORECLOSURE SALE – RECORDATION OF INSTRUMENT OF WRITING**

Requiring a secured party to record an instrument of writing transferring residential property by the later of 30 days after the entry of a court order ratifying a foreclosure sale of the residential property or 30 days after the entry of a court order resolving a specified motion; providing that no transfer tax may be assessed on a secured party that records an instrument of writing transferring residential property within 20 days after the entry of the court order ratifying the foreclosure sale of the property; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

RP, § 7-105.12 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 509 Delegate B. Robinson**GREEN CAREER GENDER EMPOWERMENT AND TRAINING PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to establish the Green Career Gender Empowerment and Training Pilot Program on or before January 1, 2017, to encourage young women and minorities to pursue environmentally friendly green careers; requiring funding for the Program through the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to be \$200,000 for fiscal year 2018, \$500,000 for fiscal year 2019, and \$1,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 and 2021; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

LE, § 11-604 - added and SG, § 9-20B-05(f) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 510 Delegate B. Robinson, et al**PROGRAM FOR THE LONG-TERM EMPLOYMENT OF QUALIFIED EX-FELONS**

Creating a Program for the Long-Term Employment of Qualified Ex-Felons; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to establish the Program in consultation with the Governor's Workforce Investment Board; requiring the Department to purchase specified fidelity bonds for up to 150 qualified ex-felons each year and to provide bonds to specified one-stop career centers; requiring that the Program be implemented in at least two workforce investment areas; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

LE, §§ 11-1301 through 11-1305 - added and TG, Various Sections - repealed and added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

HB 511 Delegate Cullison, et al**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – FORMER FOSTER CARE ADOLESCENTS – DENTAL CARE**

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, subject to the limitations of the State budget, and as permitted by federal law, to provide dental care for former foster care adolescents who, on their 18th birthday, were in foster care under the responsibility of the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(x) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 512 Delegate Kittleman**GUARDIANSHIP OF A DISABLED PERSON – COMMUNICATION AND NOTIFICATION RIGHTS**

Prohibiting a guardian of the person of a disabled person from prohibiting or restricting communication between the disabled person and a member of the disabled person's family, except as authorized by a specified court order; authorizing an individual other than a member of a disabled person's family to file a specified petition for an order to compel visitation with the disabled person; requiring a guardian to notify specified individuals within 24 hours of specified circumstances related to the disabled person; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ET, §§ 13-708.1 through 13-1708.3 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 513 Delegate Glass**HARFORD COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING – DEER BOW HUNTING SEASON**

Authorizing a person to hunt deer on private property in Harford County with a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on specified Sundays during October, November, and January, subject to specified provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, § 10-410(a)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 514 Delegate Glass**SUNDAY HUNTING – DEER BOW HUNTING SEASON**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on a Sunday during the deer bow hunting season on private property, subject to specified provisions of law; and making specified conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, § 10-410(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 515 Delegate Glass**DEER BOW HUNTING SEASON – PRIVATE PROPERTY – ADDITIONAL SUNDAY IN JANUARY**

Authorizing a person to hunt deer on private property with a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on a Sunday in the second half of January, as designated by the Department of Natural Resources, subject to specified provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, § 10-410(a)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 516 Delegate Glass**HARFORD COUNTY – ARCHERY HUNTING – SAFETY ZONE**

Establishing that the safety zone for archery hunters in Harford County extends for 50 yards from a dwelling house, residence, church, or any other building or camp occupied by human beings within which archery hunting may not take place except under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, § 10-410(g) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 517 Delegate Glass**NATURAL RESOURCES – DEER BOW HUNTING SEASON – END DATE**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to include the first Saturday of February in the deer bow hunting season in any year that January 31 does not fall on a Saturday.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, § 10-405(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 518 Delegate Carter, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE – IMPOSITION**

Prohibiting a court from imposing a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole on an individual who was under the age of 18 years at the time the offense was committed; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CR, § 1-402 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 519 Delegates Smith and Morales**COURTS – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS – CIVIL ACTIONS ARISING OUT OF HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES**

Extending the statute of limitations to 10 years for specified civil actions under specified circumstances; applying the Act retroactively to any cause of action described in the Act arising on or after October 1, 2006; and making the provisions of the Act severable.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 5-105 - amended and § 5-120 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 520 Delegate Mautz**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – AUXILIARY WINERY PERMIT**

Establishing an auxiliary wine permit; authorizing the Comptroller to issue the permit to a Class 4 limited winery for use at a location off the licensed premises anywhere in the State; providing that there is no limit as to the number of permits that may be issued to a single applicant; authorizing the holder of the permit to exercise the privileges with specified exceptions that are allowed at the premises for which the holder's Class 4 license is issued; providing for a \$250 annual permit fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

AB, § 2-132.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 521 Delegate Smith, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – SWAT TEAMS – REPORTING AND LIMITATIONS**

Requiring the Police Training Commission to adopt a set of standards for the training and deployment of SWAT teams in the State; requiring each law enforcement agency to follow the standards; requiring, on or before April 1, 2017, and on or before April 1 of each following year, a law enforcement agency that maintains a SWAT team to report specified information to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention using a specified format; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, §§ 3-801 through 3-804 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 522 Delegate Tarlau, et al**MARYLAND ESTATE TAX – UNIFIED CREDIT**

Altering a specified limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after January 1, 2016; altering a specified limitation on the amount of the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after January 1, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 7-309(b)(1), (2), and (3) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 523 Delegate Stein**E-ZPASS ACCOUNTS – TRANSPONDER THEFT – NOTICE AND UNAUTHORIZED CHARGES**

Requiring the holder of an E-ZPass account to report the theft of a transponder associated with the account to the Maryland Transportation Authority and a local law enforcement agency within 2 weeks of the first account statement after the theft and to report unauthorized charges to the account to the Authority; providing that the holder of an E-ZPass account is not responsible for specified charges to the account under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 21-1416 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 524 Delegates Cluster and Parrott**FORECLOSURE – RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT**

Establishing that, on and after the filing of an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential property, the secured party shall be responsible for maintenance of the property until the foreclosure sale occurs; requiring the secured party to submit a registration to the Foreclosed Property Registry within 30 days after the filing of a foreclosure action on residential property; requiring the registration to be in a specified form and contain specified information; establishing fees; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

RP, § 14-126.1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 525 Delegate Beidle, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS**

Prohibiting a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from prohibiting or taking specified punitive action against a motor vehicle dealer for providing specified notice to a customer or performing specified repairs on a motor vehicle under specified circumstances; and requiring a dealer that sells at retail a used motor vehicle that is subject to a recall under federal law to provide to the buyer a specified disclosure in a specified manner under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 15-212(c)(12) - added and § 15-311 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 526 Delegate Krebs, et al**COMMUNITY COLLEGES – SMALL COMMUNITY COLLEGES – FUNDING**

Altering the amount of the unrestricted grant provided to small community colleges.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, § 16-305(f) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 527 Delegate Glass**HARFORD COUNTY – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – SMART WATER METERS**

Requiring the Harford County Department of Public Works to provide each affected customer with written notice of the intention of the Department to install smart water meters; establishing a process by which a specified customer will be deemed to have given permission to the Department to install a smart water meter on the customer's premises; requiring the Department to pay to a customer \$500 if the Department installs a smart water meter on the customer's premises without permission; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

EN, § 9-1112 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 528 Delegate Ebersole, et al**PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – SENSIBLE SUGAR IN SCHOOLS ACT**

Requiring specified county boards to add to a specified wellness policy on or before August 1, 2017, a specified plan for reducing students' added sugar intake per school meal based on specified recommendations; requiring specified county boards to convene a specified workgroup to study the best practices of other jurisdictions regarding methods of lowering students' total sugar intake per school meal; requiring the workgroup to hold at least two public hearings and receive public testimony at each meeting; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, § 7-438 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 529 Delegate Glass**CONSUMER PROTECTION – REQUIRED DISCLOSURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a person from requiring a consumer to disclose the consumer's Social Security number to the person as a condition for the purchase or lease of consumer goods or consumer services; providing that the Act does not prohibit a person from requesting or requiring a consumer to disclose the consumer's Social Security number to apply for or obtain an extension of consumer credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CL, § 14-3403 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 530 Delegate Stein**CREDIT REGULATION – MOTOR VEHICLE SALES – ASSIGNMENT OF FINANCING AGREEMENTS**

Requiring an assignee of specified documents relating to financing a sale of a motor vehicle to provide payment to the seller of the motor vehicle within 2 business days after approval of the assignment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CL, § 12-609(g) - amended and § 12-1023.2 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 531 Delegate Beidle, et al**MARYLAND STRONG MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT ACT**

Establishing the Manufacturing Development Zone Program to encourage business entities engaged in manufacturing outside the State to invest in manufacturing facilities within the State; authorizing specified political subdivisions to apply to have specified areas of the State designated as a manufacturing development zone; providing the designation of an area as a manufacturing development zone is effective for 10 years; requiring a county or municipal corporation to grant a specified property tax credit; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

EC, § 5-102(10) & (11) - amended and EC, §§ 5-102(11) & 5-1501 thru 5-1507, TP, §§ 9-103.2 & 9-110, and TG, §§ 10-207(cc) & 10-737 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 532 **Delegate Carter, et al**

STATE GOVERNMENT – ROGER BROOKE TANEY STATUE –
REMOVAL AND DESTRUCTION

Requiring the Commission on Artistic Property, on or before December 31, 2016, to remove the Roger Brooke Taney statue from the grounds of the State House and destroy the statue.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations